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Keisuke Ban, et al.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 through 1.99 and pursuant to applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants bring the documents, listed on PTO form 1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the references can be found in the parent case (U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/105,377).

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It is respectfully requested that the documents be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

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